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For: APPARATUS FOR MOVEABLE SEPARATING ELEMENTS, A DRIVE ASSEMBLY AND

A SEPARATING ELEMENT

SMALL ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired <u>April 8, 2009</u>, an extension of time for a period of <u>one</u> month(s) is hereby requested.

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